In the Claims

- 1. (currently amended) An apparatus comprising:
 - a first die having channel and controller functions; and
- a second die having a buffer function, wherein the first and second dies are packaged together in the a single package and the pins of the single package connect to the first die and the second die.
- 2. (currently amended) The <u>drive-apparatus</u> of claim 1, wherein the second die comprises a synchronous dynamic random access memory in a known good die format.
- 3. (currently amended) The <u>apparatusdrive</u> of claim 1, wherein the single package is a thin quad flat pack package.
- 4. (currently amended) The apparatusdrive of claim 1, wherein the single package is a ball grid array package.
- 5. (original) A computer system, comprising:
 - a disc drive:
 - a first die having a buffer function;
 - a second die having a controller and channel function;
- wherein the first die is connected to the second die and wherein the first die and second die are packaged in a single package.
- (original) The system of claim 5, wherein the buffer function comprises a synchronous dynamic random access memory in a known good die format.
- 7. (original) The system of claim 5, wherein the single package is a thin quad flat pack package.

- 8. (original) The system of claim 5, wherein the single package is a ball grid array package.
- 9. (original) The system of claim 5, wherein the single package is placed on a printed circuit board of the disc drive.
- 10. (original) The system of claim 5, wherein the first die and the second die are connected by interconnects.
- 11. (original) A method of making a disc drive for a computer system, comprising the steps of: attaching a first die to a first area of a package; attaching a second die to a second area of the package; connecting the first die and second die with interconnects; wherein the first die includes a buffer function for the disc drive; and wherein the second die includes a controller function and a channel function for the disc drive.
- 12. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein the buffer function comprises a synchronous dynamic random access memory in a known good die format.
- 13. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein the package is a thin quad flat pack package.
- 14. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein the package is a ball grid array package.
- 15. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein the package is placed on a printed circuit board of the disc drive.